From: Lawrence H. Williams

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To: Whitesides, George Thomas. (HQ-AH000)

Cc: Gwynne Shotwell; Tim Hughes Subject: Per my voice mail last week.

George,

This bullet points below summarize the voice mail I left you on July 23 regarding the Recovery Act:

- According to the spending plan initially provided to Congress on May 5: "The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 provides NASA \$400M for Exploration related activities, and \$150M of these funds are planned to be used to develop and demonstrate commercial human spaceflight capabilities."
- In this plan, NASA stated that, "as NASA prepares for implementation of commercial human spaceflight to help enable NASA's Exploration mission, development and demonstration of key technologies and capabilities are required to provide commercially viable launch vehicles, spacecraft, crew accommodations, and crew safety systems. NASA's investment in these key enabling capabilities will help pave the way for the eventual development and demonstration of full-scale commercial crew transportation systems."
- We understand that the Committee has approved a revised NASA spending plan that has reduced the funds for the development and demonstration of commercial human spaceflight to \$90M.
- Based on the Administration's stated goals for the ARRA funds, the legislative direction provided by Congress, and NASA's stated objectives in its spending plan, SpaceX believes that NASA should devote the entire \$90M towards an open commercial competition.

As always, please let me know if you ever have any questions or concerns.

Thanks, Larry

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